

Dear Judiciary Committee,

I am writing to you to ask that you REJECT SB16.

I OPPOSE SB 16 An Act Addressing Gun Violence and Juvenile Crime. In its most basic form, it is unconstitutional, as the right to bear arms shall not be infringed. Further, by enacting more "gun free zones," you are creating more victims, as criminals will not abide by the law and will carry in these zones, and law abiding citizens will be disarmed and unable to protect them or others. As well, by making it illegal to carry a firearm on public transportation, you are effectively saying that if you cannot afford a car (where most non-car owners are of lower income families) you do not have the right to self defense, or to protect your family while traveling. In addition to these examples, I also oppose all other wording and acts that are proposed in this bill.

In addition, I also OPPOSE H.B. No. 5416 – AN ACT CONCERNING BULK PURCHASES OF PISTOLS AND REVOLVERS.

I SUPPORT Raised S.B. No. 388 – AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEFENSE OF A PERSON OR A PERSON'S DWELLING, PLACE OF WORK OR MOTOR VEHICLE.

I SUPPORT Raised H.B. No. 5415 – AN ACT CONCERNING THE TRANSFER OF ASSAULT WEAPONS AND LARGE CAPACITY MAGAZINES.

I SUPPORT Raised H.B. No. 5412 – AN ACT CONCERNING THE DUTY TO RETREAT IN A RELIGIOUS HOUSE OF WORSHIP.

Thank you very much for your time,

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